

**KNOX COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2018
WORK SESSION**

AGENDA	MOTION	SECOND	VOTE
1. CALL TO ORDER			
2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA			
The chair entertained a motion to adopt the Work Session Agenda for the Monday, March 5, 2018, meeting as presented.	Mrs. McIntire	Mr. Bennett	6-0
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS			
The Board President entertained comments from patrons on items not on the prepared agenda. There were no public comments.			
4. WORK SESSION			
A. The Board conducted a work session in order to review and discuss the results from the facilities study conducted by Schmidt & Associates.			
Mr. Tom Neff, from Schmidt & Associates, broke down the facilities study by the three buildings. He included all notes and observations made from the staff meetings.			
The initial findings of the facility assessments and evaluations are attached to these minutes.			
KCES			
Mr. Bennett asked about regulations with the tunnel hallway and if there were fire law issues. Mr. Neff said there are variances that the school can apply for and it could easily be resolved. Discussion was held regarding the different areas of concern at the elementary.			
KMS			
Mr. Neff reported that their findings showed there is above average square footage per student and actually the space there could be better utilized. He said that rooms are not used as efficiently as they could be.			
KHS			
Discussion was held regarding high school classes being held at other buildings. Examples: Culinary arts class at the elementary and early childhood and welding at the middle school.			
Mr. Neff stated that he and his associates were blown away by the graphics department.			
Mr. Neff said that one of the biggest issues at the high school is with the pool. He stated that it would be a significant cost to replace.			
Mr. Neff stated that their findings show that parking and student pick up and drop off are an issue at all three buildings.			

Mrs. McIntire said it seems like we have put a band aid on everything in the past and that is sad.
Mr. Neff said these things are all fixable.

Mr. Neff said the biggest problem with the middle school is the traffic issues.
Mr. Dulin stated that traffic has always been a problem.

Mr. Bennett said the Board needs help to build a plan and prioritize everything.

Mr. Neff said it is important to get the best return for your investment and to find better ways to utilize the buildings.

Mrs. McIntire said she appreciates that Schmidt & Associates took the time to meet with staff.
Mr. Neff said the staff and students were very accommodating and fun to work with.

Mr. Fletcher asked about local electrical businesses bidding our jobs.
Dr. Reichhart said they are not big enough.
Mr. Bennett asked by whose standards.
Dr. Reichhart said they can't handle the amount of work in the timeframe we are working with.

Mr. Bennett said we just spent two million dollars on a new cafeteria at the elementary and we are already seeing issues. Mr. Neff reiterated that these issues are fixable.

Mr. Bennett asked if secure vestibules are the top priority.
Mr. Neff stated that is what their findings would indicate.

Mr. Neff said how the buildings are used and zoned are a concern.

Mr. Bennett asked about the welding class.
Dr. Reichhart said the welding class is a SCILL program and we are housing it for SCILL.

Dr. Reichhart asked Mr. Neff for a timetable when they would be providing another update to the Board.
Mr. Neff stated that they would like to come back next month with additional findings.

5. ADJOURNMENT 7:12 p.m.

Mr. Fletcher Mrs. Ritchie 7-0